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Applicant:	KUME	Examiner:	A. NGUYEN
Serial No.:	09/655,232	Art Unit:	3763
Filed:	SEPTEMBER 5, 2000	Docket:	SMP0179US02
Title:	METHODS OF USING AN INTRAVASCULAR BALLOON CATHETER IN COMBINATION WITH AN ANGIOSCOPE		

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 27, 2002, in which the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 6-26, drawn to a catheter system, and
- II. Claims 27-24, drawn to a method;

Applicant provisionally elects the claims of invention I (claims 6-26), without traverse for prosecution on the merits. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected invention(s).

Early and favorable consideration of the elected invention is respectfully requested. Allowance of the claims at an early date is courteously solicited. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned Applicants' representative at 763-494-2880.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0765. Should such

fees be associated with an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this paper be considered a petition therefor.

Date: 10/1/02

Respectfully submitted,

  
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